



# Uncertainty Quantification and Validation of Equipment Response to Underwater Shock Loading

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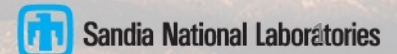
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# Outline

- Overview of Full Ship Shock Trial Alternative program
- Verification and Validation at Sandia
- Validation approach for the FSST Alternative
- Comments/ Path forward

# Full Ship Shock Trials (FSST)



- Manned ships subjected to controlled, Underwater Explosions (UNDEX) while at sea
- Requirement for qualification of a class of ship





# FSST Alternative Program

- Integrated Product Team formed to develop an FSST Alternative using Airguns instead of UNDEX
- Modeling & Simulation working group lead by NSWC Carderock Survivability and Weapons Effect Division
  - Dr. Thomas Moyer
  - Chris Van Valkenburgh
- “To evaluate the ability of airguns to induce failures and cause damage to shipboard equipment items and systems in a manner similar to UNDEX at Shock Trial levels”





# FSST Alternative

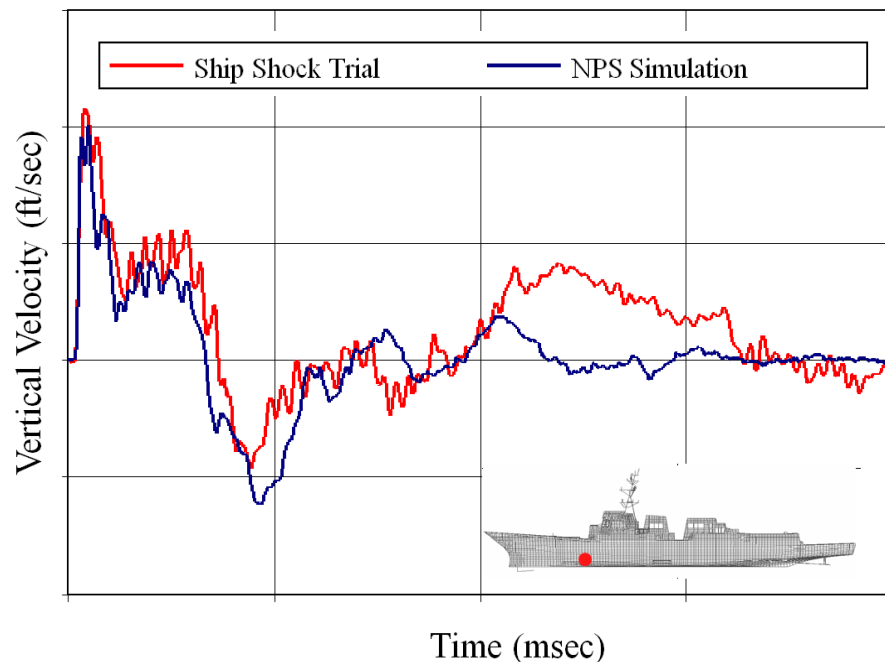
- May be feasible to replace FSST with more controlled, smaller scale testing w/ Airguns
- Advantages:
  - Lower Cost
  - Less environmental impact
- Must still assess survivability
- Determine feasibility using Modeling & Simulation
- **Must establish credibility of M&S predictions**

Airgun Loading Simulation





# M&S Alone is Not Enough



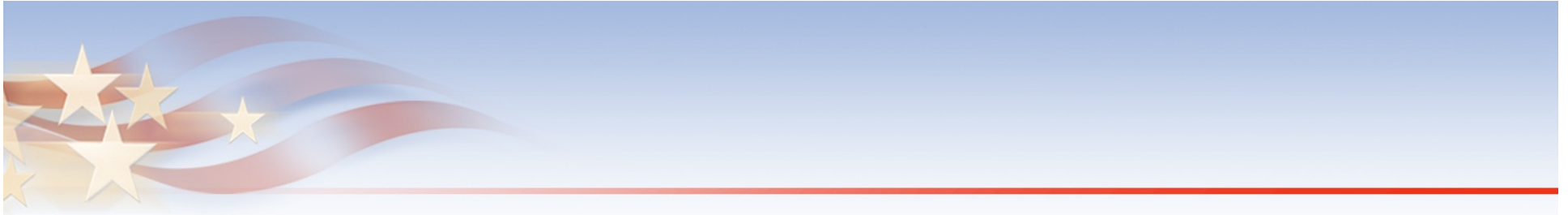
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- Compare ship response
  - Test vs. simulation
- Visual comparisons  $\neq$  validation
- Are differences important?
- How to deal with
  - Variability
  - Uncertainty
  - Errors



# Definitions

- Verification – “Are we solving the equations correctly?”
  - Correctness of implemented mathematical algorithms.
- Validation – “Are we solving the right equations?”
  - Correctness of physical models and sufficiency for the application.
- Uncertainty Quantification (UQ):
  - Statistical propagation of uncertainty through a simulation model, and statistical interpretation of model response.



# Sandia Perspective on Verification, Validation, and Uncertainty Quantification





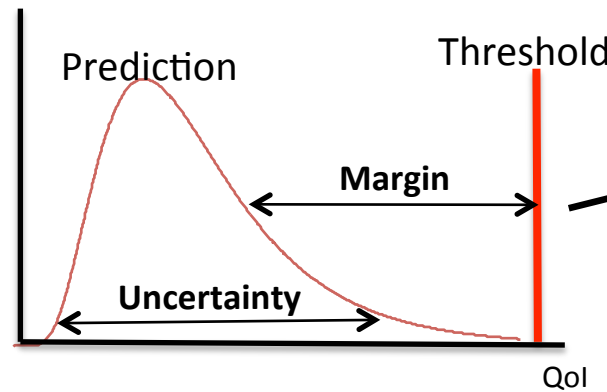
# Risk Informed Decision Making



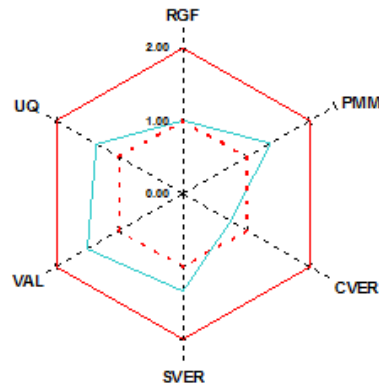
Testing of high consequence system



Testing + Simulations  
→ Quantified Margins and Uncertainties (QMU)



Credibility That is Assessed and Communicated  
→ PCMM



Decision Makers



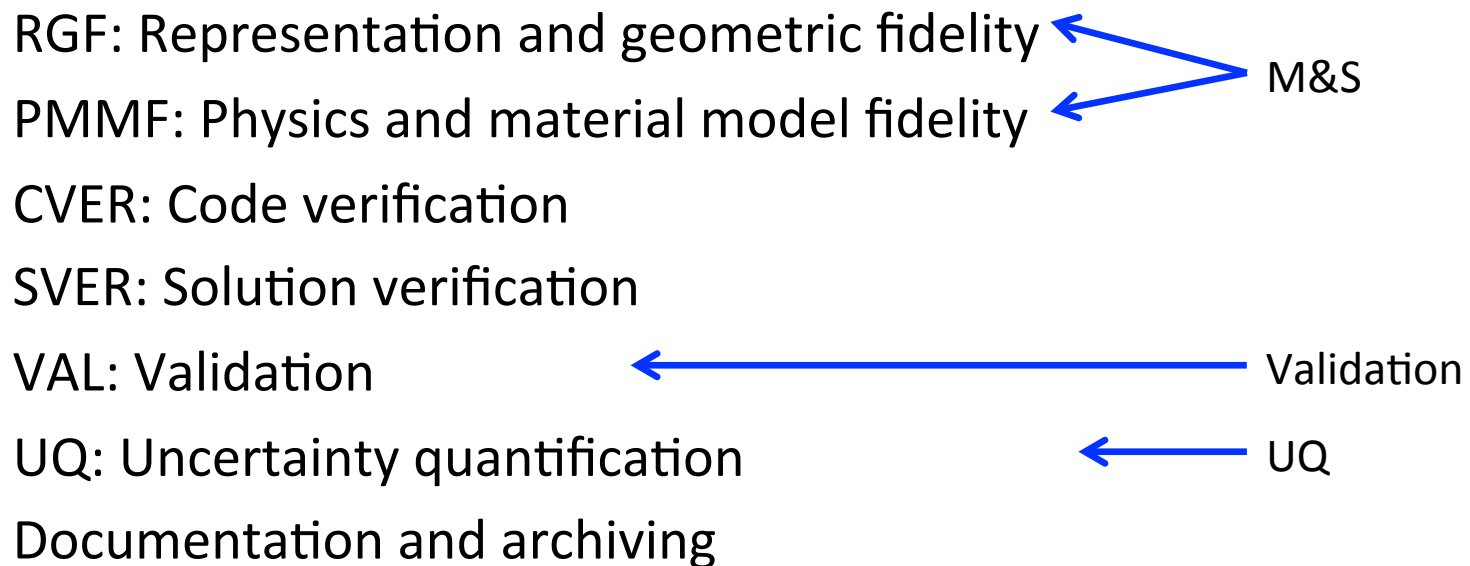
# M&S Supporting High Consequence Decisions

- Underground testing used to test weapon effects
- M&S replaced underground testing
- Must establish credibility in all aspects of prediction
  - Model Development
  - Uncertainty Quantification (UQ)
  - Verification and Validation (V&V)
- Must effectively communicate the credibility
  - Predictive Capability Maturity Model (PCMM)

# What Gives M&S Results Credibility?



Seven categories of PCMM



**Key idea: Gather wide range of evidence on all categories**

# V&V Hierarchy

- Cannot run every test and all simulations
- Gather V&V evidence at many levels of complexity
- Build confidence in M&S capability at all levels
  - Calibrate models to test data
  - Validate predictions

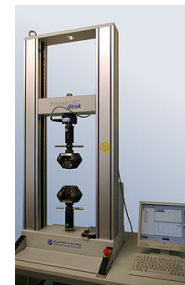
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complexity



Level 1



Level 2



Level 3

→ **Predictions + uncertainty and credibility estimates**



# FSSTA Validation Process





# FSST Alternative – Goals

- End goal: Validate models in order to compare effects of UNDEX and airguns on a full ship
- Full ship models very complex, data is limited
- FY12 Goal: Demonstrate procedures for validation of models *for the purpose of* comparison of UNDEX vs. airgun effects
  - Use simpler test cases
  - Floating Shock Platform (FSP)
  - Deck Simulator Fixture (DSF) attached to FSP



# Validation Checklist

- Use hierarchy to make best use of data
- Define Quantities of Interest, derived from responses
- Identify and characterize sources of uncertainty
  - Both physical sources and modeling sources
- Propagate effect of uncertainty to simulation responses (UQ)
- Compare Quantities of Interest from test and simulation (Validation)

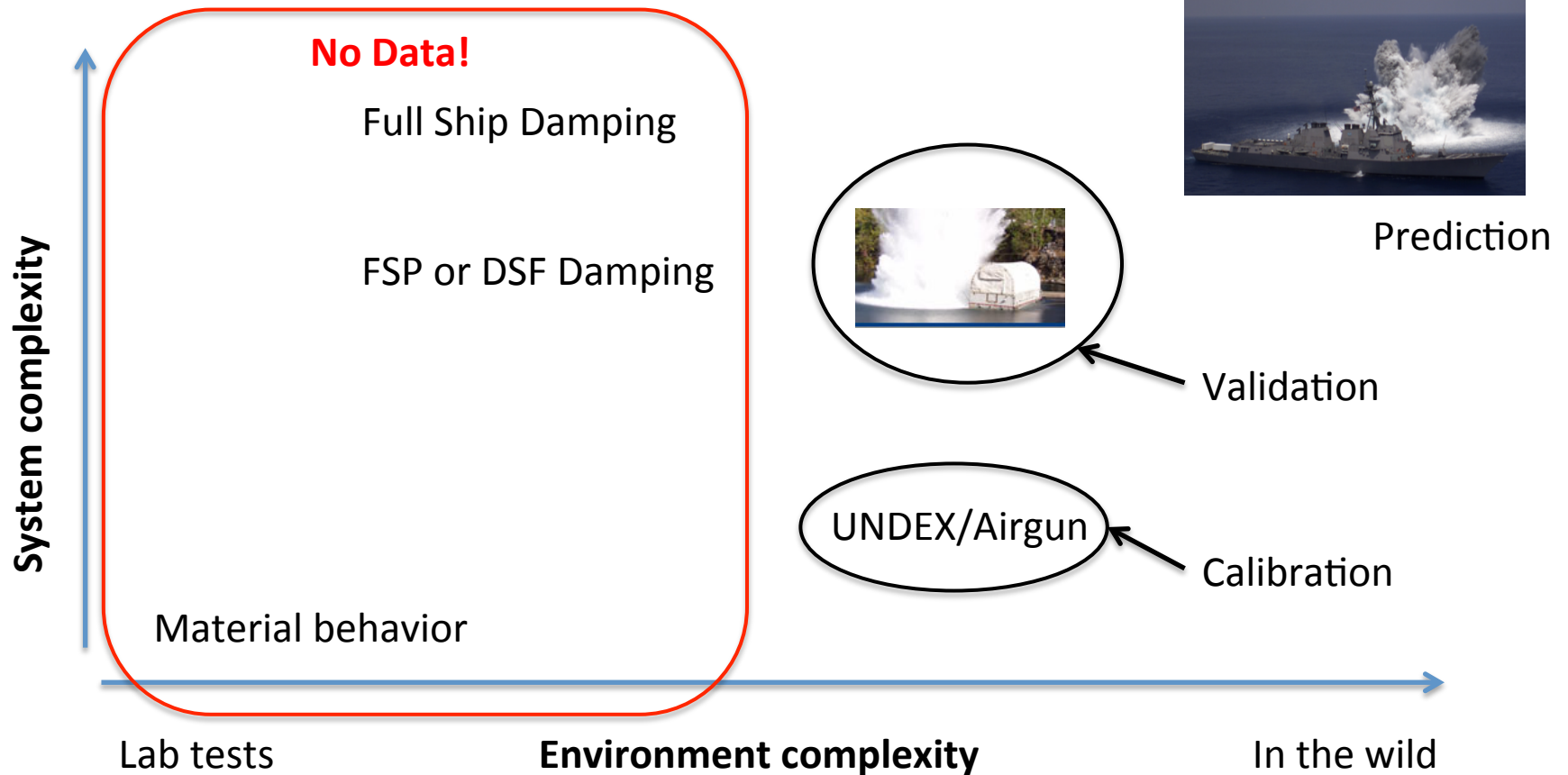


# Tests

- UNDEX loading on FSP, FSP+DSF
  - Validate combined UNDEX, FSP, DSF models
- Underwater Airgun shots
  - Calibrate Airgun model (Weidlinger Associates)
- Airgun loading on FSP, FSP+DSF
  - Validate combined Airgun, FSP, DSF models
- No data for UNDEX shots – models already exist
- No data on FSP, FSP+DSF with simpler loading



# Validation Approach for FSST Alternative

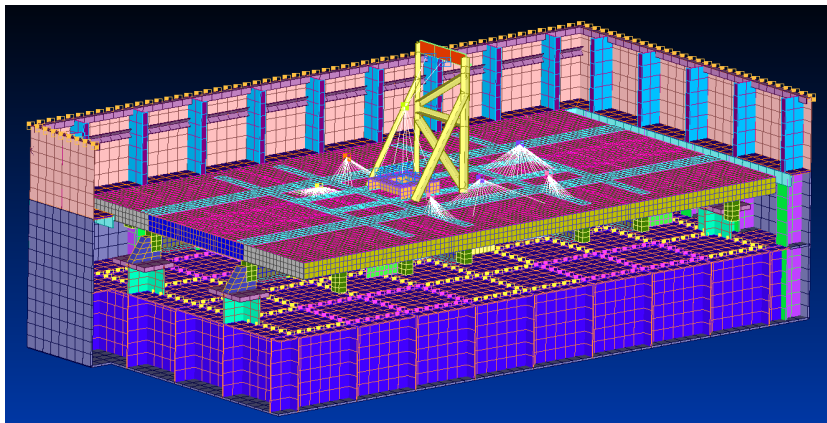


- Strategy limited by available data



# Codes & Models

- Gemini
  - Hydrocode
  - NSWC Indian Head



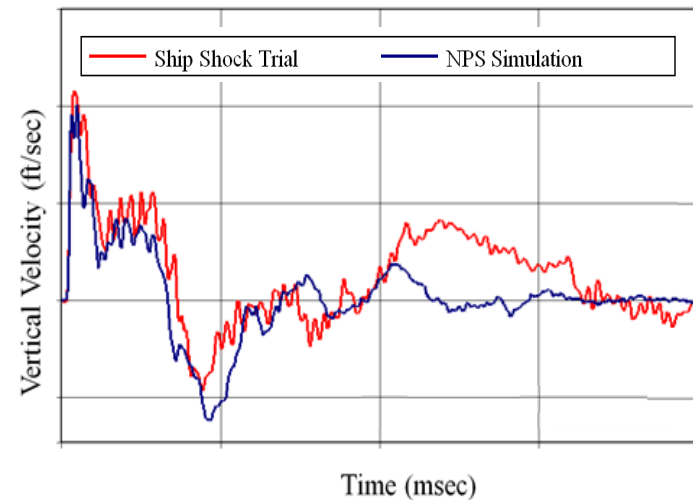
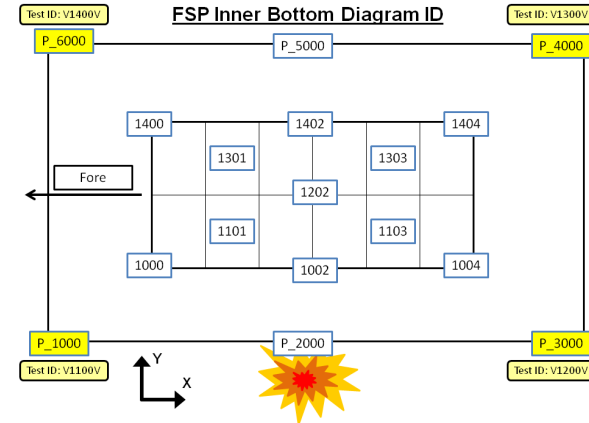
- SIERRA Mechanics – Salinas
  - Structural Dynamics
  - Sandia National Labs

Integrated into Navy Enhanced Sierra Mechanics (NESM)

# Test Data / Model Responses



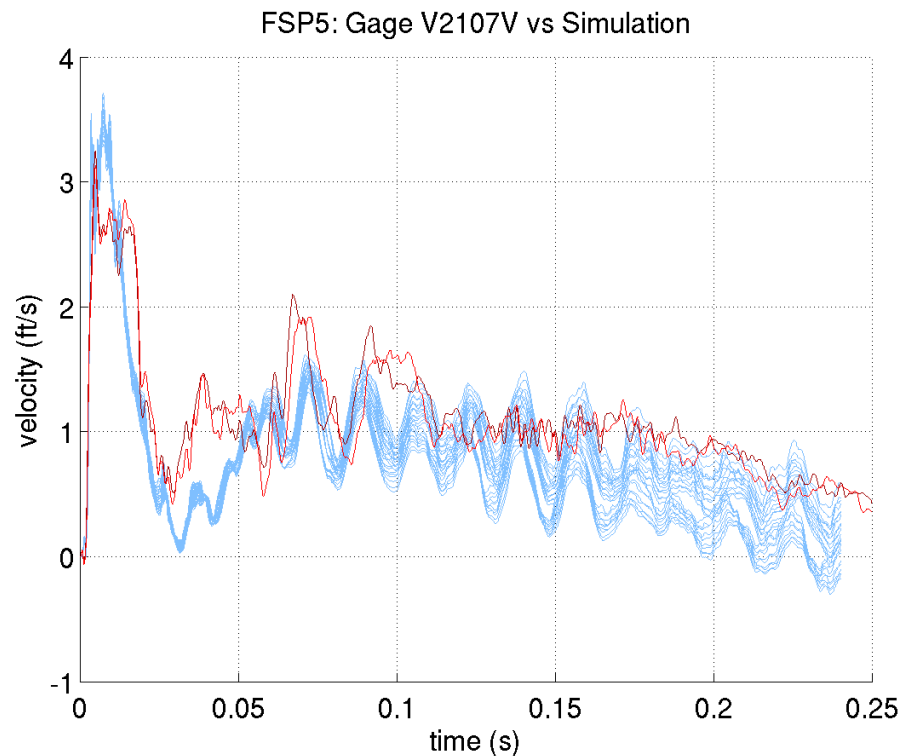
- Tests
  - Gages (velocity / acceleration)
  - Several locations
- M&S
  - Displacement, velocity, acceleration response
  - Match location of gages



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# Quantities of Interest



- Response time history
- What features are important?
- Reduce information content to a few scalar values
- End goal – prediction of damage potential



# Proposed QoI's

- Windowed acceleration<sup>(1)</sup>
- Windowed pseudo-velocity<sup>(1)</sup>
- Windowed RMS<sup>(2)</sup>
- Temporal moments – first five moments
- Windowed input energy<sup>(1)</sup>
- Windowed strain energy<sup>(1)</sup>
- Windowed energy equivalent velocity<sup>(1)</sup>

- (1) Five gaussian windows centered at 10, 20, 40, 80 and 160 Hz with 10, 20, 40, 80 and 160 Hz widths
- (2) Ten windows evenly spaced from 0 – 250 ms with minimal overlap



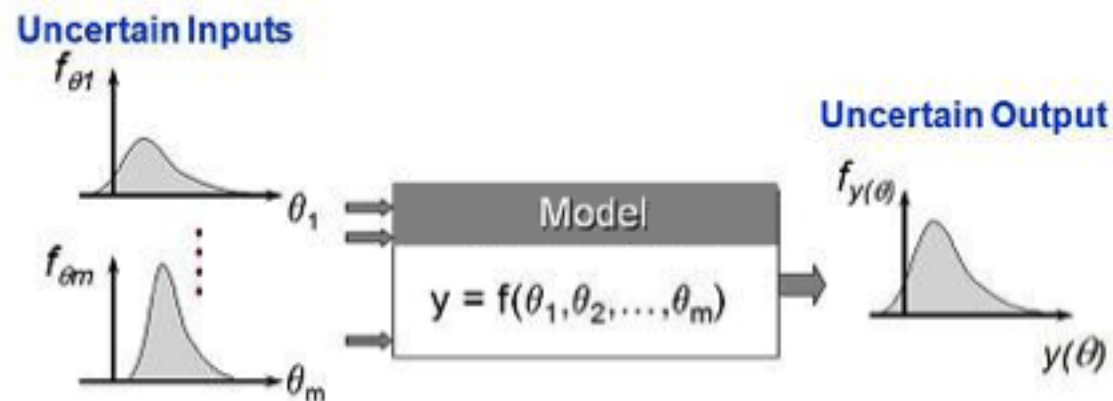
# Significance of Qols

- Used to assess some feature of the response
- Windows allow certain time or frequency ranges to be analyzed independently
- Subset of Qols may correlate with damage potential
  - Strain energy windowed near a fundamental frequency
- May not be necessary to match velocity time history
- Match Qols → simulation is useful



# UQ Concept

- Represent uncertainty in model inputs with probability distributions
- Resulting output from the model is also uncertain

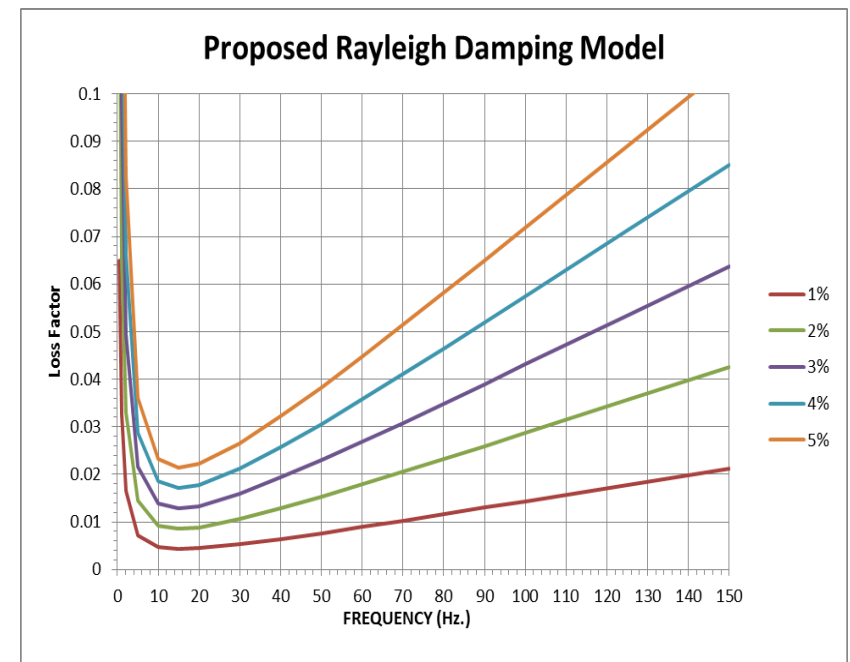


- UQ methods – estimate the output distribution



# Input Uncertainty

- Two sources of uncertainty in M&S
- Effective charge mass  $\pm 5\%$ 
  - Assumed a uniform distribution, centered at nominal mass
- Damping Factor
  - Controlled two parameters in a Rayleigh Damping scheme
  - Bounds were 1 and 5%
  - Assumed uniform distribution







# UQ w/ Polynomial Chaos Expansions

- Uniform Basis Random Variables
- Legendre polynomials as ‘Basis Functionals’
- Inputs are 1<sup>st</sup> order PCE’s
- Use 4<sup>th</sup> Order PCEs for outputs
  - Compute coefficients using 5<sup>th</sup> order Gauss-Legendre Quadrature
- 2 dimensions, 5<sup>th</sup> order → 25 NESM runs
- Other methods: Monte Carlo, Latin Hypercube Sampling

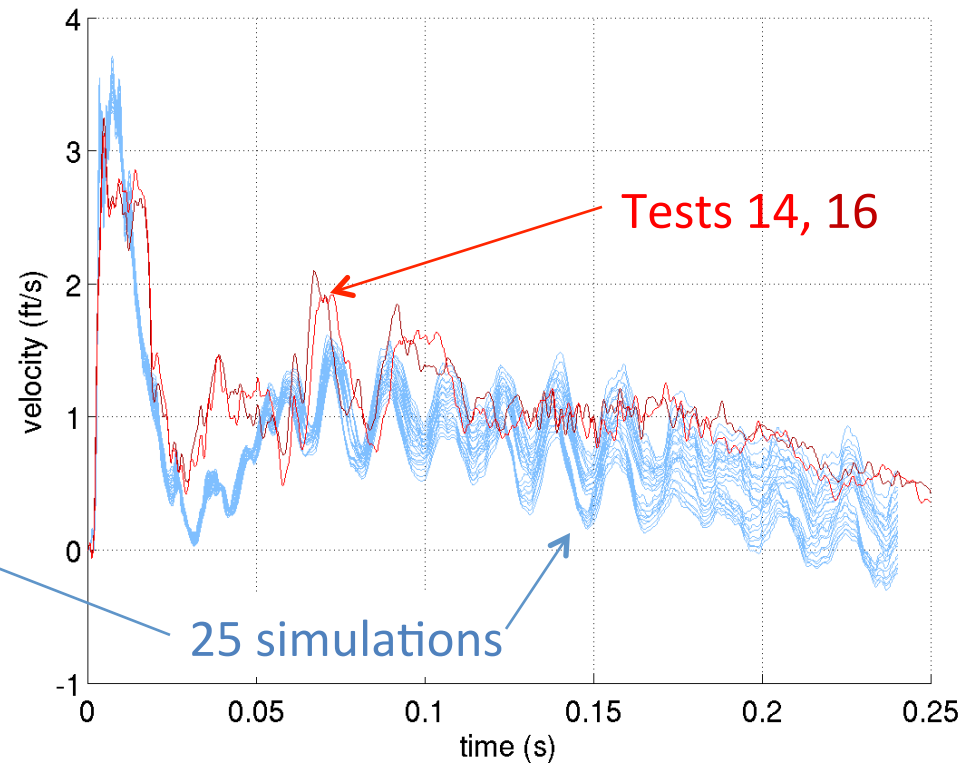
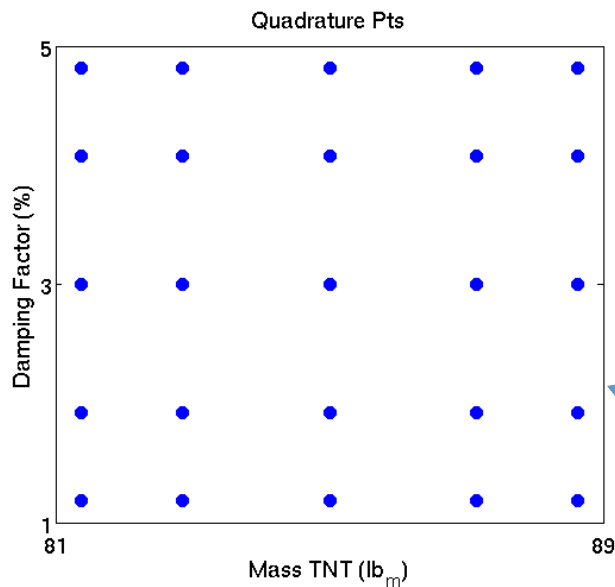


# Sim vs. Tests: UNDEX loading on FSP

## Measured/simulated responses

FSP5: Gage V2107V vs Simulation

### Parametric Input Space



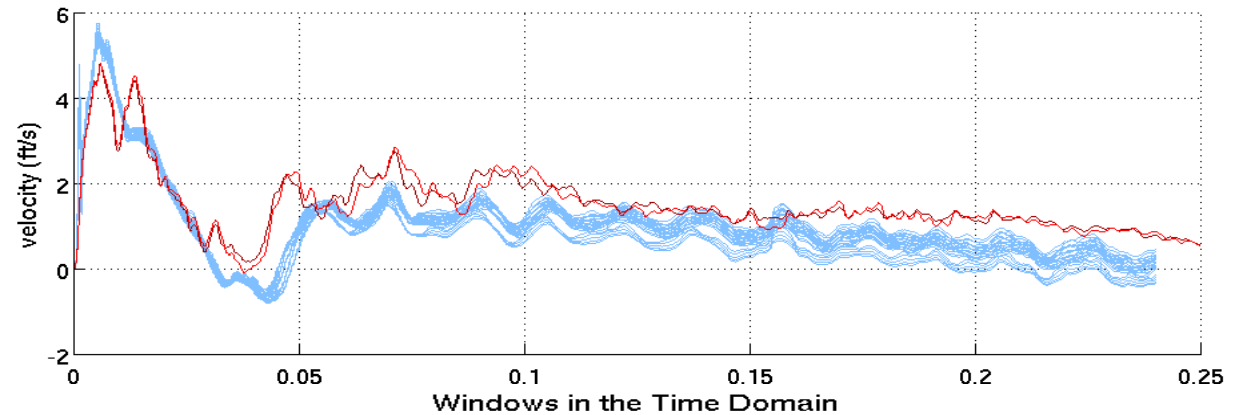
- UNDEX Charge mass → variation at early time
- Damping → variation at later times

# Qols = Windowed Measures

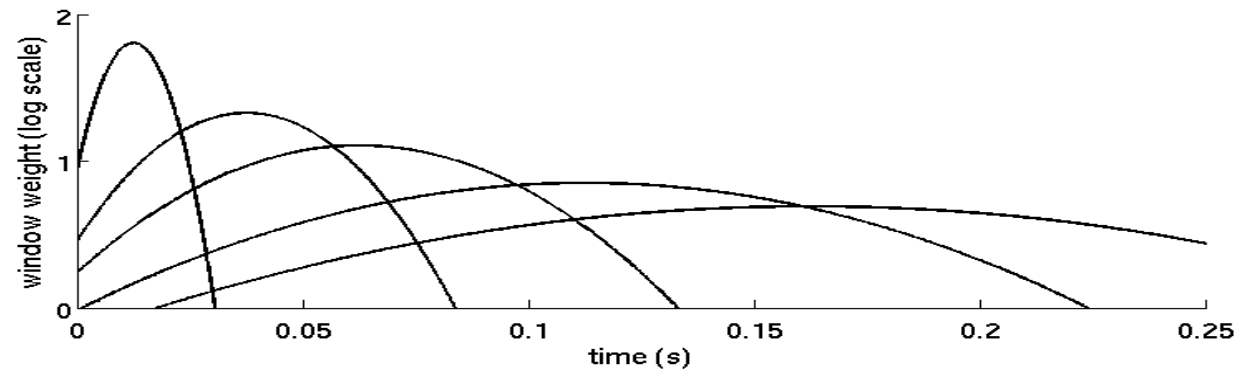


FSP5: Gage V2101V vs Simulation

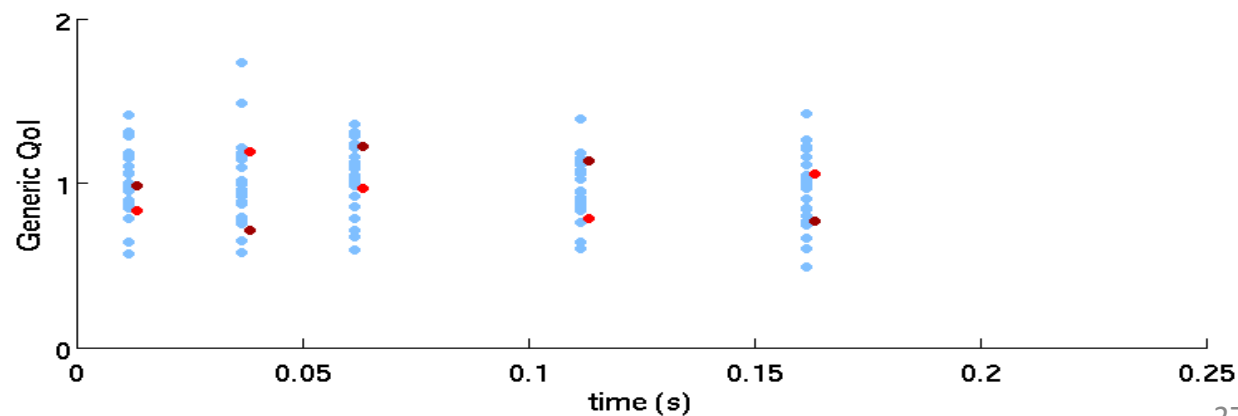
Start w/ signals for test and simulation



Integrate signal, weighted by window



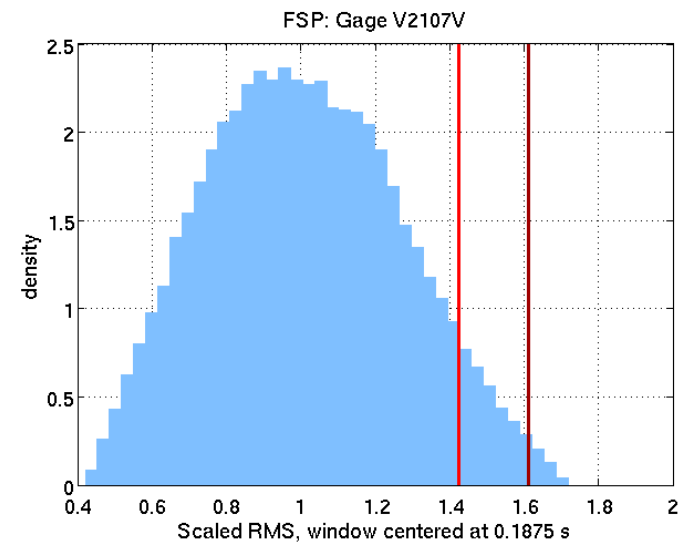
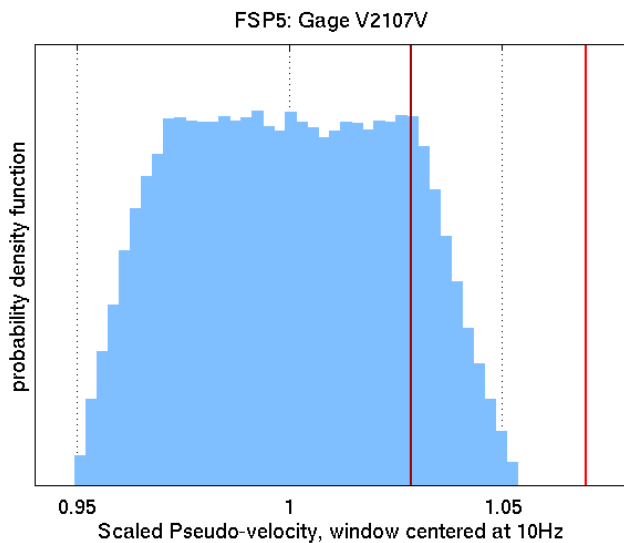
→ windowed measures, used as Qols





# UQ on Qols

- Compute Polynomial Chaos Expansion coefficients from samples  
→ full probability density function of each Qol



- Test Qols are shown in red
  - Only 1 or 2 tests at the same conditions
  - Hard to estimate uncertainty/error

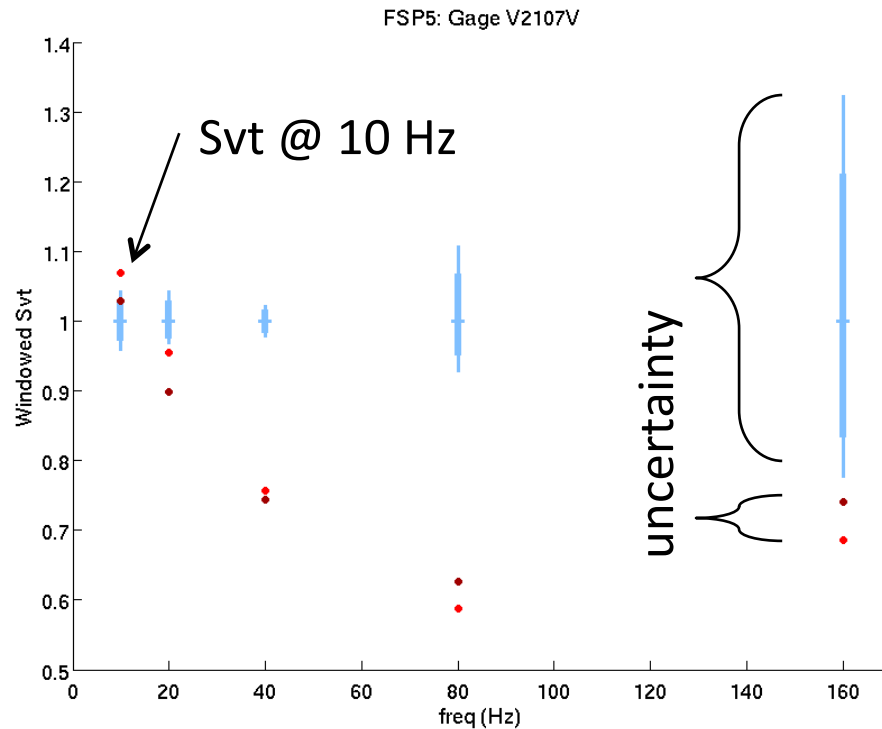


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# Validation Metrics 1: Quantitative Comparisons of Qols

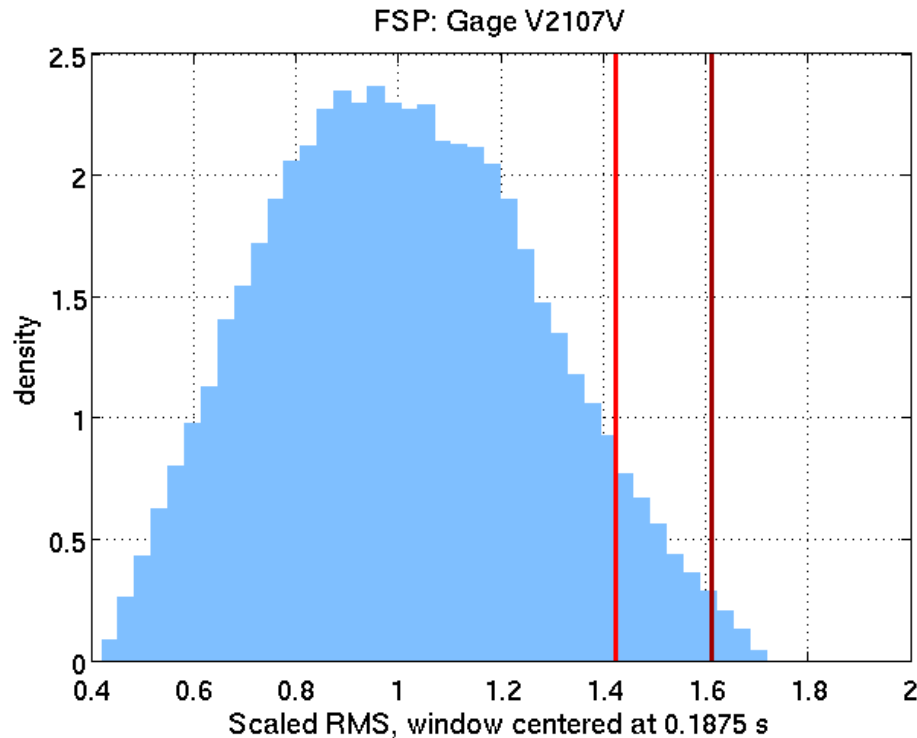


$$m2u = \frac{\text{margin}}{\text{uncertainty}}$$

Does the uncertainty in test and simulation explain discrepancy between test and simulation?



# Validation Metrics 2: Hypothesis Testing Approach



- Do the test and simulations ‘match’?
- How probable is it that the test Qols were drawn from the population of Qols derived from the simulations?



# Summary

- FY12 – program demonstrated the validation process
- NSWC Carderock developed M&S capabilities for UNDEX / Airgun loading and structural responses
- Quantities of Interest → Isolate specific features
  - Windowed measures may be useful Qols
- Validation Metrics compare Qols from test & sim
- End goal – establish credibility in M&S predictions
  - Validation process must incorporate engineering judgment





# Future Work

- Greater coverage of V&V hierarchy
- Investigation of uncertainty sources
- Independent calibration and validation
- More experience with windowed measures as Qols
  - Have seen correlation between Qols and features of velocity time histories
    - ‘Credible’ predictions of responses to UNDEX & Airgun
  - Do Qols correlate with damage potential?
    - Make comparison of damage from UNDEX & Airgun